

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 441  
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A RESOLUTION To honor and congratulate Elizabeth Anne Ross on being one of the Top Ten students in the 2001 graduating class at Dyer County High School.

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those students who, through their natural talents and unwavering commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Anne Ross is most assuredly one such exceptional student who is richly deserving of this Body's commendation; and

WHEREAS, Her persistence and hard work have earned her recognition as one of the Top Ten students in the 2001 graduating class at Dyer County High School; and

WHEREAS, Through industrious study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Elizabeth has achieved remarkable academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in our great State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, In her remarkable high school career, Elizabeth Ross has earned a commendable grade point average of 4.0; and

WHEREAS, A well-rounded individual and a sterling scholar, Ms. Ross has been a valuable participant in many programs and clubs at Dyer County High School, including the First Citizens National Bank Advisory Board, the National Honor Society, which she has served as Secretary, and the Student Council, which she has served as Treasurer; and

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WHEREAS, Elizabeth has demonstrated her singular leadership abilities through meritorious service as Class President for two years, a member of Dyer County Youth Leadership, a Girls State Delegate, and as an Upward Bound Peer Tutor; and

WHEREAS, In addition to placing in the Top Ten of her class, Elizabeth has been honored by her receipt of the National Leadership Merit Award and the Citizenship Award, by her selection as an All-American Scholar, and by her inclusion in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, A gifted athlete, Elizabeth has served with distinction as Captain of the Varsity Cheerleading squad, and her excellence as a cheerleader has earned her recognition as a UCA All-Star; and

WHEREAS, This exceptional young lady was voted "Most Intellectual" by her classmates and was also honored as "Most Valuable Choctaw"; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth evinces her robust Christian faith as a member of the First Baptist Church of Newbern, where she serves faithfully as a member of the Youth Group, a nursery and pre-school volunteer, and an Assistant Sunday School Teacher; and

WHEREAS, This outstanding scholar will continue her education this fall as a student at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville; after earning her Bachelor's degree in Chemistry, she plans to enroll in medical school at the University of Tennessee at Memphis and eventually pursue a career as a physician; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Ross epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; in an age where the youth of our country face great challenges, we can proudly state without equivocation that she represents all that is good in our young people today; and

WHEREAS, She is the daughter of Richard Louis Ross and Kaye Flowers Ross and the granddaughter of Louis and Sue Ross and Barney Flowers and the late Juanita Flowers; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth is an incredible source of pride for her family, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Ross's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition as a student at Dyer County High School surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Miss Ross's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Elizabeth Anne Ross on being one of the Top Ten students in the 2001 graduating class at Dyer County High School, and extend to her our best wishes for success and happiness in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.